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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)				
	In re Application of: David C. Hovda			
·	Application Number	10/735,477	Filed: December 11, 2003	
	For: METHODS FOR VISUALIZING AND TREATING INTERVERTEBRAL DISCS			
	Group Art Unit: 373	39	Examiner: Alex B. Toy	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above iden ified application.				
The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):				
<ul> <li>One month (37 CFR)</li> <li>Two months (37 CFF)</li> <li>Three months (37 CFF)</li> <li>Four months (37 CFF)</li> <li>Five months (37 CFF)</li> </ul>	R 1.17(a)(2)) FR 1.17(a)(3)) R 1.17(a)(4))	\$120 \$450 \$1020 \$1590 \$2160	\$\$ \$ \$ \$	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$				
A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.				
Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.				
The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.				
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be recuired, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0359.				
I am the _ ] applicant/inventor ] assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96)  Li attorney or agent of record. Registration Number:				
WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included c n this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.				
10 / 9/2006 Date		Brian E. S. Reg. No. 4		
NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.  Total or forms are submitted.				

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